

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
STATESVILLE DIVISION  
CIVIL CASE NO. 5:20-cv-00153-MR**

BRIAN A. REAVIS, )  
Petitioner, )  
vs. )                  **ORDER**  
FNU STEVNE, )  
Respondent. )  
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**THIS MATTER** is before the Court *sua sponte*.

Brian A. Reavis, a prisoner of the State of North Carolina, has filed a *pro se* petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 in this Court. [Doc. 1]. Reavis challenges his criminal judgment imposed in the New Hanover County Superior Court on May 8, 2009. [See Doc. 1 at 1].

New Hanover County is within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. See 28 U.S.C. § 113(a). Thus, pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d), and in accordance with a joint order of the United States District Courts for the Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of North Carolina (Joint Order, In re: Applications for Writs of Habeas Corpus (Oct. 26, 1966)), the Court shall

transfer this action to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, where venue is proper.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court shall **TRANSFER** this habeas action to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina for all further proceedings. The Clerk is further directed to provide a copy of this Order to the Petitioner and, thereafter, to close this case.

**IT SO ORDERED.**

Signed: September 23, 2020



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Martin Reidinger  
Chief United States District Judge

